COMMONLY CITED REASONS FOR SURGERY

THE PHYSICAL SYMPTOMS:



74% - Tugging during intercourse

72% - Uncomfortable wearing tight clothes

58% - Uncomfortable twisting of labia

54% - Visible labia in exercise clothing

48% - Pain during intercourse

40% - Exposure in bathing suit

THE PSYCHOLOGICAL SYMPTOMS:



94% - Self-consciousness over appearance

66% - Negative self-esteem

64% - Less attractive to partner

64% - Negative impact on intimacy

64% - Restrictive clothing choice



Exploring the Cost

In the UK, the surgery typically costs between £1,000 to £,3,000, plus the cost of any consultation or follow-up care. Occasionally, a labiaplasty may be carried out on the NHS if the vagina lips are abnormal, causing the woman distress or is harming her health.

In the United States, the surgery typically costs anywhere between \$3,000 and \$8,000. Plastic surgeon, Dr Katzen of Beverly Hills and Orange County suggests the average labiaplasty cost is around \$4,500.

Affordable Labiaplasty Abroad

£788 – SPAIN £794 – HUNGARY

£794 - CZECH REPUBLIC

The Celebrity Treatment

Kim Kardashian, **Sharon Osbourne** and **Jenna Jameson** are amongst celebrities to have undergone labiaplasty surgery.

Britain's Youngest Patients

9-years-old

Leading adolescent gynaecologist Dr Naomi Crouch told the BBC girls as young as nine were seeking the cosmetic procedure because they were distressed by the appearance of their vulva.

>200

More than 200 girls under 18 had labiaplasty on the NHS in 2015-16 – more than 150 of whom were under 15.

Sources: